IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

MICHAEL J DANIELS, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs,

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5-19-CV-01280-RBF

Vs.

AETC II PRIVATIZED HOUSING, LLC,
ET AL.,

Defendants.

ORDER SETTING IN-PERSON HEARING

Before the Court is the status of this case, which was reassigned for disposition following the consent of all parties. *See* Dkt. No. 267; 28 U.S.C. § 636(c). This case is presently set for trial to begin on June 5, 2023. *See* Dkt. No. 370. At the final pretrial conference held on June 1, 2023, counsel for Defendants informed the Court of a press release issued by the Law Offices of James R. Moriarty, counsel for Plaintiffs, referencing the present litigation. There is no formal motion before the Court, but Defendants have argued that the press release violates Rule 3.07 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Attorney James R. Moriarty, who is quoted in the press release, was not present at the final pretrial conference or for any other hearing before the Court to date. For the reasons stated at the hearing, the Court has concerns regarding trial publicity and any future press releases or similar communications about the litigation that may occur before or during trial in this or any of the related matters for which separate trials are contemplated.

IT IS ORDERED that this case is set for a hearing on June 2, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at the United States Courthouse, 262 West Nueva, San Antonio, TX 78207. Counsel should check the

monitors in the courthouse lobby on the day of the hearing to determine the assigned courtroom.

Attorney James R. Moriarty is **ORDERED** to appear **in-person** for the hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

SIGNED this 1st day of June, 2023.

RICHARD B. FARRER

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE